## In the Claims

Claims 1-13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (Currently amended) A ligament shim for insertion into a bone tunnel, the ligament shim comprising:

a body having a first end and a second end, and an axis extending from the first end to the second end;

the first and second ends being substantially planar and of substantially the same configuration in plan view, substantially the same size, and normal to the axis;

the first and second ends having a length and a central width, the length being longer than the central width;

at least two surfaces a first surface and a second surface extending from the first end to the second end and substantially parallel to the axis;

at least one of the two surfaces the first surface -being arc-shaped; and a shim hole extending from the arc-shaped surface to the second surface other of said two surfaces, said body being otherwise devoid of any further opening.

Claim 15 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 wherein said one-first arc-shaped surface extends outwardly from the axis.

Claim 16 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 15 wherein the <u>second surface other of said at least one of surfaces being arc shaped is a flat surface.</u>

Claim 17 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 16 wherein said shim hole extends from a crest of said <u>first surface to the second surface.one are shaped surface to the other of said two surfaces</u>.

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Claim 18 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 wherein said two surfaces are first surface and second surface are both -arc-shaped surfaces and are opposed surfaces and extend inwardly toward each other.

Claim 19 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 18 wherein said shim hole extends from a first of said arc shaped surfaces to a second of said arc shaped surfaces the first surface to the second surface.

Claim 20 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 wherein said two-first surface and said second surfacesurfaces are arc-shaped and opposed to each other, athe first surface of the arc-shaped surfaces extending outwardly from the axis and the a second surface of the arc-shaped surfaces extending inwardly toward the axis.

Claim 21 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 20 wherein said shim hole extends from a crest of the first arc-shaped surface to a mid-arc portion of the second arc-shaped surface.

Claim 22 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 <u>fur-ther comprising</u> wherein said at least two surfaces extending from the first end to the second end comprise four surfaces including two arc-shaped surfaces and two substantially flat parallel surfaces extending from the first end to the second end.

Claim 23 (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 <u>further comprising</u> wherein said at least two surfaces extending from the first end to the second end comprise four surfaces including two arc shaped surfaces and two outwardly rounded surfaces extending from the first end to the second end.

Claims 24 & 25 (canceled)